STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS23685

This proposed legislation adds the definition for "Agricultural products" and "Forest products" to Title 49 in Idaho Code. Previously, a provision for extraneous materials of up to 2,000 pounds on an agriculture truck coming out of the field over gross allowed weight to be waived was placed into Idaho Code. This legislation allows for this same waiver for all agriculture products including forestry related products. During the Winter and Spring months when logging is occurring many times mud, snow, and ice will build up on the vehicle so that when the vehicle crosses the scales at a port of entry it is ticketed for being overweight. This provision allows for a waiver of the excess build up.

In Idaho Code, Section 49-1011 the same overweight waiver is also provided for refuse and sanitation trucks.

In order for this change to be effective and useful as soon as possible, Section 10 has been added so that these changes can be effective in the Spring of 2015.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund. This provision will make it clear that all commodity haulers within the State of Idaho are treated the same as it relates to extraneous material build up on the vehicles while in transit.

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